

**INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 2120-MC-FFS**

**DATE:** March 30, 2020

**TO:** All Iowa Medicaid Providers

**APPLIES TO:** Managed Care (MC), Fee-for-Service (FFS)

**FROM:** Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

**RE:** Medicaid Reimbursement for Physician Assistants

**EFFECTIVE:** Immediately

Senate File 2357 expands the roles of physician assistants in the state.

Physician assistants may now prescribe, dispense, order, administer or procure prescription drugs, controlled substances or medical devices necessary to complete a course of therapy.

Additionally, physician assistants now have the ability to be reimbursed by Medicaid.

The IME is working on policy changes to implement this law. In the interim, physician assistants may bill for Medicaid services as they do today. This applies to both FFS and MC claims.

If you have questions, please contact the Iowa Medicaid Provider Services Unit at 1-800-338-7909, Monday – Friday, from 7: 30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or by email at [imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us](mailto:imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us).